

UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT  
EASTERN DISTRICT OF NORTH CAROLINA  
SOUTHERN DIVISION

CASE NO: 7:14-CV-185-BR

**ANNJEANETTE GILLIS, et al.,**

**Plaintiffs,**

**v.**

**ORDER**

**MURPHY-BROWN, LLC d/b/a  
SMITHFIELD HOG PRODUCTION  
DIVISION,**

**Defendant.**

At the conclusion of plaintiffs' case in chief, on November 30, 2018, defendant moved for judgment as a matter of law pursuant to Rule 50(a). (ECF No. 259). At the conclusion of defendant's case, on December 4, 2018, defendant renewed that motion for judgment as a matter of law. The court deferred ruling on those motions. Those motions are **DENIED**. Should defendant file a motion under Rule 50(b) or Rule 59, the court will "decid[e] the legal questions raised by the motion."

The Clerk is directed to send copies of this Order to all counsel of record.

**IT IS SO ORDERED** this 27th day of September, 2019.

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